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COUNTRY Poland

REPORT

TOPIC 1. Polish Fuel Depot near Blechhammer

2. Polish Troops and Military Installations in Wadowice and Cracow

25X1 EVALUATION

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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25X1 1. [redacted] the Gleiwitz (Q 51/Y 37) - Heyde-

breck (O 54/L 90) railroad line observed a Polish fuel depot near the Slawiecice (Ehrenforst, P 51/Y 08) railroad station. The installation was about 100 to 150 meters south of the railroad line and about 1,000 meters west of and connected with the Slawiecice railroad station. [redacted] in the area which was enclosed by a wall [redacted] at least six large tanks, which projected about 5 meters over the ground and were apparently far wider than high. The depot included one watchtower which was occupied. Tank cars were shunted from the Slawiecice railroad station to the fuel depot. Individuals observed at the depot wore civilian clothes. [redacted] the installation had already been there when the Germans were there. The manufacturing installations of the Blechammer (Blachownia, P 51/Y 08) industrial plant were north of the depot and on the north side of the railroad line.¹

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1. [REDACTED] Comment. It is believed that the depot belongs to the Elech... hammer plant which was a large IG Farben hydrogenation plant during the war and is being reconstructed.

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2. [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] this barracks installation quartered a motorized KPW guard battalion in October 1951. [REDACTED]

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